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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed May 31, 2007, Applicants elect Group I, defined by claims 39, 41 and 43-45.

Respectfully submitted,

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